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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

The following amendment and remarks are responsive to the Office action dated September 20, 2002 restricting the above-identified patent application and requiring election of a single group of claims for prosecution under 35 U.S.C. § 121.

AMENDMENT

Responsive to the Office action dated July 3, 2002, applicants hereby amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 18-46, without prejudice.